

351—6.20 (68B) Loans from executive branch lobbyists prohibited. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 68B.24, officials, employees, and candidates for statewide office shall not directly or indirectly seek or accept a loan from a person who is an executive branch lobbyist.

6.20(1) Definitions. For purposes of this rule, the following definitions apply:

“Executive branch lobbyist” means an individual who is registered as a lobbyist with the board or is an “executive branch lobbyist” as defined in rule 351—8.2(68B).

“Loan” means a sum of money upon agreement, express or implied, to be repaid with or without interest.

6.20(2) Offer of loan prohibited. An executive branch lobbyist shall not directly or indirectly offer or make a loan to an official, an employee, or a candidate for statewide office as prohibited in Iowa Code section 68B.24(2) and rule 351—8.16(68B).

6.20(3) Exceptions. The prohibitions in Iowa Code section 68B.24 and this rule do not apply to a loan made in either of the following circumstances:

a. A loan made in the ordinary course of business. For purposes of Iowa Code section 68B.24 and this rule, “ordinary course of business” means the loan is made by a person regularly engaged in a business that makes loans to members of the public, and the finance charges and other terms of the loan are the same as or substantially similar to the finance charges and loan terms that are available to members of the public.

b. A loan made to the campaign committee of a candidate for statewide office that is subject to the campaign laws in Iowa Code chapter 68A.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 68B.24 and 68B.32A(13).